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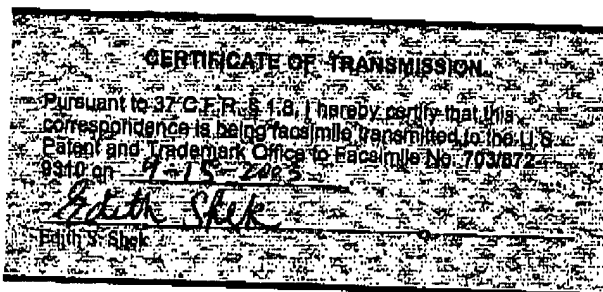
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Pursuant to the Office Communication dated September 10, 2003 forwarding a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 CFR 1.121, Applicants submit this response with the full set of claims for consideration with the Amendment filed on August 27, 2003 in response to the Office Action of May 27, 2003.